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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Mr. Gene Stecher
Monsanto Chemical Group
800 N. Lindbergh Boulevard
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HSE-5J

RE: Sauget Area 1, Site G, St. Clair County, Sauget,
Illinois

Dear Mr. Stecher:

This letter is being sent to acknowledge the receipt of your Scope of Work for Sauget Area 1, Site G on December 19, 1994 and results and understandings from our December 20, 1994 conference call. As we discussed on the phone the approach outlined in the Scope of Work (SOW) and discussions on our conference call appear to be consistent with Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) technical staff expectations in addressing Site G.

Specific questions and concerns were raised by IEPA and U.S. EPA to address cap design and construction (e.g. cut and fill analysis, and use of a HDPE liner). Further explanation of a cut and fill analysis within fenced boundaries satisfactorily addressed the Agencies concerns. Use of an HDPE liner was raised and will be further addressed from IEPA personnel in the near future along with site specific Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs). A general list of ARARs has been forwarded to you by Paul Takacs of IEPA with the intent of a site specific list to follow in the near future.

Additional explanation was provided for the areas of excavation demarcated on Attachment A of the SOW. You explained that these limits are not intended to be the maximum limits of excavation but areas all along the north, west and southern boundaries will be addressed as necessary for excavation. We also discussed that it is the intent of the Agencies to limit depth excavations so that a maximum two feet of backfill would be required in these areas.

The area of Creek Segment B adjacent to Site G was discussed ending with the intent to address the contaminated sediment in the bottom of the creek bed and the creek banks as determined to be necessary. The creek segment will be addressed if legal requirements allow placement of this material onto Site G prior to covering.

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Access was discussed and agreed upon such that U.S. EPA will assist/obtain access to areas needed for cleanup purposes. This would occur if Potentially Responsible Parties are denied access and request assistance from U.S. EPA.

If you have any questions or concerns about this letter please do not hesitate to contact me at (312) 353-2886.

Sincerely,



Samuel F. Borries
On-Scene Coordinator

cc: P. Takacs, IEPA
J. Gore, U.S. EPA
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